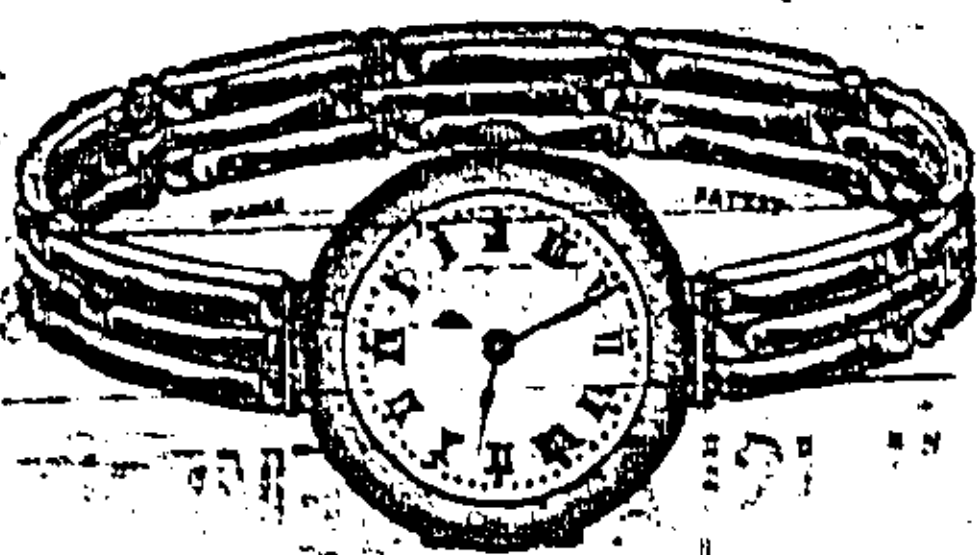


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Hongkong, April 1, 1913.

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KILLS

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NOTICE OF DIVIDEND.
 In the Matter of THE COMPANIES
 ORDINANCES, OF HONGKONG
 1865 to 1886

In the Matter of THE HONGKONG
 AND MANILA FREE TRADING
 COMPANY LIMITED
 (IN LIQUIDATION).

NOTICE is hereby given that, pursuant
 to an Order of the Supreme Court
 made on the 12th day of December 1913,
 a Fifth Dividend of \$5.00 per centum has
 been declared in this matter, and that the
 same may be received at the Office of the
 Liquidator, No. 23, Des Voeux
 Road Central (2nd floor) on the 6th day of
 January 1914 or on any subsequent date
 between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.
 except on Saturday up to 1 p.m.

LAU CHU PAI,
 Official Liquidator.

Hongkong, Jan. 2, 1914.

IN THE MATTER OF THE COM-
 PANIES ORDINANCE, 1865
 AND
 IN THE MATTER OF GEO.
 FENWICK AND CO. LTD.
 (IN LIQUIDATION).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN in
 pursuance of Section 179 of the
 Companies Ordinance, 1865, that a General
 Meeting of the above Named Company
 will be held at the Office of the
 Liquidator, No. 5 Queen's Road Central
 on TUESDAY, the 6th day of January,
 1914, at 12 o'clock noon precisely for the
 purpose of having an account showing the
 manner in which the winding up has been
 conducted and the property of the Com-
 pany disposed of, and for the purpose of considering
 and approving the proposed final return of
 \$3.50 per share on the issued Capital, deter-
 mining the Liquidator's remuneration, hearing
 any explanation that may be given by
 the Liquidator and also of determining
 by Extraordinary resolution the manner in
 which the Books, Accounts and Documents
 thereof shall be disposed of.

PERCY SMITH,
 SETH & FLEMING,
 Liquidators.

Hongkong, Dec. 5, 1913.

IF you happen to be late your meals will
 be Courteously and Promptly served
 just the Same. Only at THE ALEXAN-
 DRA JAFFE.

THE PRESIDENT AND GENERAL
LI.

Li Yuan-hung and Tutushy of Hupeh.

Poetic Letter of Resignation.

On December 19 ten days after he left
 Wuhan for the Capital General Li Yuan-
 hung addressed the following letter to the
 President resigning his post as Tutushy
 of Hupeh. The letter reads as follows:—

"I, Yuan-hung, wish to thank you for
 the unbounded favour bestowed on me
 during the past few days. The warmth
 of your love for me is enough to melt
 the snow of the mountain. I am a mili-
 tary man, and consider myself exceed-
 ingly fortunate in being nominated Tutushy
 of Hupeh by the people and the military
 when the first blow was struck to the
 monarchical edifice two years ago. At
 last Republicanism was proclaimed, and
 the South and the North merged into
 one united nation, but Your Excellency
 did not wish to change the existing order
 of things, for fear of unnecessarily arous-
 ing confusion, and gave me, as well as
 many others, substantial appointments.

At that time, I longed to divest myself
 of the responsibilities forced upon me,
 but in consideration of the critical con-
 dition of the country, I urged myself to
 do what little I could and employ myself
 as a stone to stanch the riotous tide or
 as a tiny piece of timber to support the
 tottering mansion. Under your guidance,
 the Ship of State has been safely
 steered amidst numerous reefs and whirl-
 pools. I am allowed to rejoice at the
 success.

DANGER OF TOO MUCH POWER.

"While greatly appreciating your
 kindness in allowing me to continue in
 my post, I wish to make clear a point
 of cardinal importance. As I am con-
 strained again and again in the history of this
 country, it is not advisable to invest
 too much power in the persons who par-
 ticipate in the struggle which brings about
 a new regime, and it is a source of grave
 danger to allow the principal authorities
 in the provinces to have any chance of
 swaying an influence that may over-
 power the Government. The feudal
 lords of the Chow Dynasty (B. C. 1122-
 770), who were given too much power
 and privileges, ultimately rose and over-
 threw the Central Government. Again,
 in the Tang Dynasty, the Governors and
 Generals were given so much power that
 they maintained immense numbers of
 troops and their inordinate ambition led
 them to be-leave the central authority
 and finally destroy it. The downfall of
 each of the Liuh'ao (Six Dynasties)
 was caused by the persons who helped
 in bringing the dynasties into existence;
 the incessant strife of the Wutai (Five
 Generations) was started by the proud
 generals. Once they forgot to observe
 the propriety of their conduct, and failed
 to control themselves, the dynasty which
 gave them power was doomed. Once
 their passion for destruction was aroused,
 they would not regardless of conse-
 quences; the people might groan with
 suffering, foreign invaders might enter
 the palace of their own country, but
 they must fight and destroy!

NEW TIMES, OLD INSTINCTS.

"This is true of China in her olden
 times; this is also true of China of the
 present day. The form of Government
 has changed, but the course of her trou-
 ble I am afraid may be identical with
 that of former ages. I have great pity
 for those who thus ill-use themselves,
 and their country.

"Recently the battle-cry was sounded
 on the brink of the Chung River (Kiang-
 si) and hostilities were started by the
 side of the Chung Hui (Nanking). The
 rebels formed an ally of six provinces
 and they would not be satisfied unless
 three frontier provinces were added to
 a certain foreign country. I, Yuan-
 hung, tried to persuade them to desist
 from their ill-advised course, but they
 would not listen to my words, and the
 fighting began."

"As I said before, I have long en-
 dured this with resignation, but as that
 time the rebellion was rising, and the

Presidential Election had not yet taken
 place, I decided to postpone my plan.

UTOPIAN DREAMS.

"But now the various Powers have
 recognized the Chinese Republic and
 peace has been completely restored. The
 armory is being cleaned and is ready to
 receive the war implements. The
 "garden of literature" is going to be
 opened and learning is being encouraged.
 I believe this is an appropriate moment
 for me to tender my resignation as Tutushy
 of Hupeh. I desire to have a rest, be-
 cause I feel I have endured long years
 of fatigue, and my physical condition
 demands the resignation; my country
 also demands it, as she needs unity.

"TO BATHY MY HEART."

"I will deem it a great pleasure to
 see you frequently, and listen to your
 words, which are so interesting and in-
 structive. I wish to bathe my heart,
 as to speak, with the crystal water of
 the lake; I wish to climb up the high
 mountains and nurture my mind amidst
 the bracing clouds. However, should
 there be any disturbance on the frontier,
 I shall gladly offer my service."

PRESIDENT'S REPLY.

The President replied as follows:
 "I am in receipt of your letter, and
 I cannot refrain from admiring your mo-
 desty. You are the first man who raised
 the standard against the monarchy, two
 years ago and you have done a great
 deal in laying the foundation for the
 new nation. After the Republic had been
 established, you did immeasurable good
 in the way of giving sound counsels to
 the country and fostering a healthy public
 opinion. You showed a firm and quiet
 attitude during the Kiangsi rebellion and
 at last the disturbance was suppressed.
 Your distinguished achievements are re-
 cognized by the people of this nation.
 You have personally asked me to accept
 your resignation, but I was not willing
 to do so because I was reluctant to lose
 your valuable service in the capacity of
 Tutushy of Hupeh. However, you have
 now addressed me a letter, couched in
 so earnest a language that it is humbly
 impossible to resist what you asked for.
 Your letter makes me feel uneasy if I
 compel you to act against your wishes.
 Therefore your request is hereby granted.
 The Republic is newly established and
 there are numerous undertakings that
 must be carried out. I hope you will
 ever be my true friend and continue to
 give me your useful advice when his
 questions affecting national welfare
 arise." Peking Daily News.

STREET NAMES.

Difficulties in the naming of London
 streets are exemplified in the case of
 "Pickering-place." There is already a
 street of that name in the parish of St.
 James, Westminster, whose designation
 it is, however, proposed to change.
 There is "another Pickering-place" in
 West London. For years past the Lon-
 don County Council has endeavoured to
 eliminate the unnecessary duplication of
 street names, but much still remains to
 be done in that direction.

THE MAN WHO
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Is the man who has blood—
 real rich red blood and
 plenty of it—in his body.

WATERBURY'S
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and fit proper
 lenses. If you do
 not see as you
 once did your eyes
 should have im-
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Hongkong, Dec. 2, 1913.

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Hongkong, Jan. 2, 1914.

NOTICE.

MR. ALBERT R. YMOND having
 severed his connection with our
 Firm, has ceased to SIGN our Firm's
 Name per Procuration from this date.

S. J. DAVID & Co.
 Hongkong, Jan. 2, 1914.

NOTICE.

WE have this day authorised Mr.
 ARCHIBALD DAVID to sign
 our Firm.

S. J. DAVID & Co.
 Hongkong, Jan. 2, 1914.

NOTICE.

BE Business of the Undersigned will,
 as from this date, be carried on under
 the style or firm name of "DALMADA
 & MASON." I hereby give notice that
 MR. C. F. DALMADA & MASON into
 partnership.

F. X. DALMADA & CASTRO,
 Solicitor,
 33 Queen's Road Central,
 Hongkong.

Hongkong, Jan. 2, 1914.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that Mr.
 N. CHARLES ROSE and Mr.
 CHARLES E. WATNER have this date
 retired from our Firm.

MR. CURT LANDGRAF has this date
 been ADMITTED PARTNER and
 MR. WILHELM SCHUECHNER has
 been AUTHORIZED to SIGN the Firm.

CARLOWITZ & Co.
 Hongkong, Jan. 2, 1914.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that we, the
 Undersigned, have from this date
 retired into Co-Partnership to carry on
 the Business of an ARCHITECT and
 SURVEYOR in continuation of the like
 Business heretofore carried on by the late
 Mr. P. B. HERRON, HARKER &
 Co., 2, Paddar Street, Victoria, Hongkong
 under the style of "HARKER & ROSSER."

HARKER & ROSSER,
 Thos. Broughton Harker,
 Frederick Eadell Rosser, M.B.A.
 Hongkong, Jan. 2, 1914.

NOTICE.

MR. MANUEL BARRISTA, who has
 been for a number of years connected
 with the Firm of Messrs. VIGOR & Co.,
 Hongkong, has this date Established him-
 self, as MERCHANT, GENERAL EXPORTER &
 Importer under the Name & Style of
 BARRISTA & Co.

Hongkong, Jan. 2, 1914.

NOTICE.

We have this date Established Ourselves
 as MERCHANTS, GENERAL EXPORTERS &
 Importers.

BARRISTA & Co.,
 P.O. 11, Fanning,
 and Fion,
 Hongkong, Jan. 2, 1914.

INTIMATIONS

NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that we have
 transferred our Business to
 Messrs. DEACON & Co., Ltd., CANTON.
 DEACON & CO.

Canton, Jan. 1, 1914.

NOTICE.

WE have this date TAKEN OVER the
 Business hitherto carried on by
 Messrs. DEACON & Co., CANTON.
 DEACON & CO., LTD.

Canton, Jan. 1, 1914.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned, hitherto carrying
 on Business under the name of
 GARNER, QUELCH & Co., beg to
 notify the Public that from this date
 the FIRM name will be altered to—
 DONNELLY & WHITE.

D. E. DONNELLY,
 L. M. WHITE.

Hongkong, Jan. 2, 1914.

NOTICE.

THE ROBERT DOLLAR Co., re-
 presenting the Dollar Steamship Co.,
 the Salt Lake Railway, and dealers in
 Timber, Shipping and General Mer-
 chandise, have removed to No. 3, Queen's
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Hongkong, Dec. 31, 1913.

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 III—Life & Annuity Fund £1,136,180
 Sinking Fund Account £8,519

Revenue Fire Branch £2,547,158
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 Branches 1,973,289
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 Other Receipts 430,133

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The Accumulative Funds of the various
 Branches are separately invested, and, by
 Act of Parliament, are set aside to meet
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 ments of the Company's Business.

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RESERVE FUND \$1,000,000
PROFIT & LOSS ACCOUNT \$1,000,000
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Hongkong, Oct. 11, 1913.

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For the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation,
N. J. STABB,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, July 1, 1912.

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER 1853.
HEAD OFFICE, LONDON.

PAID-UP CAPITAL \$1,000,000
RESERVE FUND \$1,000,000
PROFIT & LOSS ACCOUNT \$1,000,000
TOTAL ASSETS \$3,000,000

FOREIGN EXCHANGE and General Banking business transacted.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and FIXED DEPOSITS received for 1 year or shorter periods at rates which will be quoted on application.

A. S. HEWITT,
Acting Manager.

Hongkong, April 9, 1913.

THE MERCHANT BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

Authorised Capital \$1,000,000
Subscribed Capital \$1,000,000
Paid-up Capital \$1,000,000
Reserve Fund \$1,000,000

INTEREST allowed on Current Accounts at 4 per cent. per annum on Daily Balance and on Fixed Deposits at rates which will be quoted on application.

A. R. LINTON,
Manager.

Hongkong, July 1, 1913.

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LTD.

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Y. H. ONO,
Manager.

Hongkong, Sept. 20, 1913.

BANKS

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GEO. HOGG,
Manager.

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(NEDERLANDS TRADING SOCIETY).

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A. F. VAN KEEF, Agents.

Hongkong, July 16, 1913.

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COMMERCIAL

SHARE REPORT.

Members: Vernon and Smyth, in their weekly share report, dated Jan. 2nd, state:

Business since our local report, have been rather limited owing to the holidays, but prices have remained firm. Large katas have again been dealt in at prices ranging between Tls. 34 and Tls. 36, but now close easier with sellers at Tls. 34.

The "Oil" market has remained very quiet, and according to our latest London advices prices are slightly down. The tone of the Rubber market is reported from Home as firmer as the Tin market remains very quiet. Fine Hard Para is advised at 30 1/2 per lb. and Plantation Sheet at Tls. 2 1/2 per lb. The open market rate of discount is lower and now stands at 4 1/2 per cent. The Banks of England rate being unchanged at 5 per cent. Bar Silver is quoted at 28 1/2, for ready and 26 1/2, for forward. Sterling T.T. closes at 1/11 1/2. Shanghai T.T. at 7 1/2 and Singapore T.T. 8 1/2. Consols are unchanged at 7 1/2.

Banks—Hongkong and Shanghai have again been dealt in at 77 1/2, and at which price more shares were wanted. The middle quotation is £19 10/- and there are sellers at 88.

Marine Insurance—Unions are easier, and have now sellers at \$305. Cantons remain in request at \$32 1/2, but no shares are on offer at the price. North China are unchanged with a nominal quotation of Tls. 13 1/2 and Yangtze show no change from last week viz \$19 1/2 nominal.

Fire Insurance—China First are on offer at \$161 and Hongkong First are wanted at \$380.

Shipping—Hongkong, Canton and Mexico are slightly harder at \$2 1/2, but shares in any appreciable quantity are difficult to obtain. Indo China close with a nominal quotation of \$7 1/2 and London advices on middle quotation of 160/3. China and Manila are now on offer at \$10 1/2 and Star Ferries remain in demand at \$10. Douglas are still a quiet market with sellers at \$20.

Oil—Shell is advised from London with a slightly easier quotation of 90/101 and middle and Mexican are unchanged at 38 1/2 middle. Ural Caspian have declined to a middle quotation of 45 1/2.

Refineries—China Sugars still remain a very quiet market and are now on offer at \$4. Luzons for the time being are neglected, with sellers still in the market at \$31, but no business has to be reported.

Mining—Rauha have been inquired for at \$3 1/2, but no shares are obtainable at the rate. Headwoods are unchanged with a nominal quotation of \$ 1/2. Railways during the week have been inquired for, and have improved in London to a middle quotation of 36 1/2. Tronhills are easier with a middle quotation of 36 1/2.

Docks, Wharves and Godowns—Hongkong and Whampoa Docks have again attracted attention and changed hands at \$7 1/2, but close with sellers at \$8 1/2. Kowloon Wharves have been sold at \$3 1/2 and are wanted at \$3 1/2. New Army Docks are unchanged at \$3 1/2 nominal. Shanghai Docks have been dealt in at Tls. 55, and Shanghai and Hongkong Wharves close with a nominal quotation of Tls. 109.

Lands, Hotels and Buildings—Hongkong Lands have been strongly inquired for during the week and sales have taken place at \$11 1/2, with probable buyers now at same figure. Kowloon Lands have been a quiet market, and close with a nominal quotation of \$45. West Points are still wanted at \$67, but no sellers are apparent. Humphreys Estates are unchanged from last week viz \$4 nominal. Hongkong Hotels (old) close with a nominal quotation of \$12 1/2, and new issue are unchanged with buyers at \$92.

Cotton Mills—The Northern Mills remain quiet, and close with a nominal quotation of \$13 1/2 nominal. Kung Yik Tls 104 nominal. Leung Kung Mow Tls 104 nominal. Shanghai Cottons Tls 124 nominal. Hongkong Cottons are unchanged with a nominal quotation of \$7 1/2.

Miscellaneous—Green Island Cements have changed hands at \$7 during the week, but are now slightly easier and are on offer at \$6 1/2. China Borax are wanted at \$10. Daily Farms at \$23, Ice at \$18, and Peak Trucks (old) at \$10 1/2. China Lights are on offer at \$4 1/2. Hongkong Electric at \$49, Hongkong Trams at \$2, Steam Landries at \$4 1/2. Water Bots at \$17 1/2. Watsons at \$3. Fowells at \$5. and Polip at \$2 1/2. China Providents are quoted \$3 1/2 nominal. Rope \$23 nominal and Peak Trucks (new) \$5 cents.

London Quotations—The following quotations (middle price) were received from our London Agents by wire this morning.

Indo-China (combined) 100/3

Chinese Engineering 89/4

H.K. Electric Trans. 87/

Tremoh Mines, Ltd. 36 1/2

United Carbons 48 1/2

Morison Eagles 38 1/2

Shel Transporters "beats" 90 1/2

British Burma Petroleum 6 1/2

United Berdangs 8 1/2

Rubber Plant Inv. Trust 9 1/2

Eastern Int. Trusts 12 1/2

Venture Trusts, Ltd. 17 1/2

THE PROFESSOR.

A Montmartre Story With A Tragic Ending.

Montmartre knew him as "The Professor," and he was grateful to his friends on the hill-top for the little compliment.

Writes The Paris correspondent of The Evening Standard, for his early aspirations had been towards a professorship at the Sorbonne. He was a Bohemian of Bohemians, and was proud of the fact that the select circle of singers, poets, and artists who represent the glory of the old Montmartre accepted him as one of themselves, and thereby set the hall-mark of genius on his abilities.

There was only one thing he lived for, apart from this little tribute from his brothers in art, and that was his daughter and only child, Ernestine. He had married when a mere boy, in his wild student days in the Latin Quarter, and his girl-wife had died at the birth of their child. (The blow left him a different man. He quitted his old haunts and associates, and went into the country to try to earn a modest living by his pen. He managed to subsist with difficulty for some years, but as Ernestine grew up he realised the necessity for a more adequate income, and sacrificed his natural preference for a happy-go-lucky existence to take a situation as private secretary to the director of an industrial concern.

He worked hard, and in the evenings augmented his income by writing for the newspapers and doing book reviews. Little by little he amassed sufficient to give Ernestine a good education and bring her up in a way fitting to his own ideas, and then, when she was seventeen, he returned to Paris and went to live in his beloved Montmartre. They took a modest little flat in the Rue Leprieux, a steep little street of historic memory right up to the hill-top, and there they lived together in the most complete happiness.

FATHER AND DAUGHTER.

Their affection for each other was touching to see, and when they walked out arm in arm—the tall, spare figure of the professor, with his aesthetic, clean-cut features, and grizzled hair, and the sweet-faced, fair-haired young girl, with her great blue eyes and complexion of peaches and cream—people turned in the street to gaze after them. The professor was a comparatively young man, though he looked like a man full over fifty. He had married when he was twenty-five, so was just forty-four when he came back to Paris. He earned a fair income by tutoring, while Ernestine was clever with her brush, and was almost able to keep herself.

They had lived seven years in the Rue Leprieux when a cloud surged on the professor's horizon. There were no secrets between them, and Ernestine had to tell him. She had fallen in love, and the young man wanted her to marry him.

The professor's heart sank when he heard the news, but he kissed the child, and hid his real feelings from her. He liked the young man, and gave his consent as sincerely as his chagrin at parting with his idol would allow. But things were different now. Someone had come between them, and from the day Ernestine was married and left the little dwelling in the Rue Leprieux, the professor moped, and finally broke down in health. The young couple did all they could for him, and spent frequent week-ends in the Rue Leprieux, but this only made him worse when they left. He spent sleepless nights, and resorted to the drug habit as a natural consequence.

Then one day the famous de morgan found him unconscious in bed, and he died just as Ernestine arrived. He took her hand, and seemed to know, but was unable to speak to her. The doctor found that he had died from an overdose of veronal, but whether by design or accident no one could say. It was only when he had gone that Ernestine remembered that his leave-taking the previous Sunday had lasted longer than their usual, and that as he kissed her good-bye for the last time there were tears in his eyes. In her own mind she had no doubt, and she prayed long and earnestly for absolution, for she felt a sense of guilt which she could not dispel, in spite of her sincere repentance.

GROUP.

EVERY young child is susceptible to disease attacks your little one before you prepare for it. It comes in the night when chemists' shops are usually closed. Get and keep Chamberlain's Cough Remedy on hand. It never fails, acts quickly and is absolutely harmless. For sale by all Chemists and Druggists.

HONGKONG AVERAGE MARKET PRICES.

Continued to Thursday, December 25th, 1913.

At 100 cents per Dollar American.

Butcher Meats.

Boef Sirloin & Prime Cut—Mal Lang Pa 1b 18

Cornd—Ham Ngau Yu 1b 18

Roast—Shiu 1b 12

Breast—Nagu Lam 1b 12

Soup—Tung Yuk 1b 15

Steak—Ngau Yak Pa 1b 18

Sirloin Coton—Ngau Lau 1b 23

Sausages—Ngau Chang 1b 20

Jullock's Brains—Know per set 10

Tongue fresh—Ngau Li 1b 45

Cornd—Ham Ngau Yu 1b 35

Heart—Ngau Tan 1b 12

Heart—Ngau Sum 1b 12

Hump Salt—Ngau Kin 1b 18

Feet—Ngau Kark 1b 8

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Kidneys—Ngau Yiu 1b 8

Tail—Ngau Mei 1b 18

Liver—Ngau Kon 1b 18

Tripe (undressed)—Ngau To 1b 18

INTIMATIONS

THE CHINESE ENGINEERING
AND MINING CO., LTD.6% FIRST MORTGAGE DEBENTURES
(KAILAN BONDS).

PAYMENT of the Half Yearly Interest due on 1st January, 1914, will be made on presentation of Coupon No. 3 at any of the undermentioned Banks, viz.:

Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation
Chartered Bank of India, Australia & China
Russo-Asiatic Bank
Yokohama Specie Bank, Limited
Deutsch-Asiatische Bank
Banque Belge Pour l'Etranger

at Tientsin,
Shanghai,
or
Hongkong.

The Interest, less Income Tax at 1s. and 2d. in the £ will be:

On £20 Bonds. Per Coupon (Gross) 12s. 0d.
Less Tax @ 1/2d in the £ 8.4d.

Net amount payable. 11s. 3.6d.

On £100 Bonds.

Per Coupon (Gross) £3. 0. 0.
Less Tax @ 1/2d in the £ 3. 6.

Net amount payable. £2. 16. 6.

On £500 Bonds.

Per Coupon (Gross) £15. 0. 0.
Less Tax @ 1/2d in the £ 17. 6.

Net amount payable. £14. 2. 6.

Payment will be made in Tientsin at the Demand Buying rate of exchange of the day the Coupon is presented.

By Order,

THE KAILAN MINING ADMINISTRATION,
W. S. NATHAN,
General Manager.

THE CHINESE ENGINEERING AND MINING
COMPANY, LIMITED.SIX PER CENT FIRST MORTGAGE DEBENTURES
(KAILAN BONDS).

FIRST DRAWING.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, in conformity with the conditions endorsed upon the Debentures, the undermentioned numbers of Debentures of the total value of £24,000 were drawn on the Twenty-seventh day of November, 1913, at the Office of the Company, No. 22 Austin Friars, in the City of London, in the presence of Walton Fitzjames Turner, one of the Directors, Alfred William Berry, Secretary of the Company, and John William Peter Jauralde, of 7/8 Great Winchester Street, London, E.C., Notary Public.

The said Debentures will be paid off at par on the 31st December, 1913, at either of the following places:

In London: At the Transfer Office of the Company, No. 26 Austin Friars, London, E.C.

In Brussels: At the Office of the Local Board, 13 rue Broderode, Brussels.

In China: At the General Offices of the Company, Tientsin.

BOND OF £500 EACH, NUMBERED—

68 172 170 199 231 256

70 BOND OF £100 EACH, NUMBERED—

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MEMO. FOR TO-DAY.

Park School Re-opens.

MEMO. FOR TO-MORROW.

Excursion to Macao per s.s. "Taishan."

MEMOS. FOR MONDAY.

3 p.m.—Sale of Crown Land at P.W.D.
5.30 p.m.—Inaugural meeting of Week
of Prayer at City Hall.
4.30 p.m.—Drawing of Subscription
Gifts at Kennedy's Stables.

General Memoranda.

Tuesday, January 8:—
Hon. Geo. Fenwick & Co., Ltd.,
General Meeting.
5.30 p.m.—Organ Recital at St. John's
Cathedral.
Friday, January 9:—
Hongkong Y. M. C. A. go into Camp.
"Court Cards" at Theatre Royal.
Thursday, January 16:—
Concert at Seamen's Institute.
Friday, January 16:—
3 p.m.—Engineers' Ball at City Hall.
Saturday, January 17:—
Babies' Close for Hongkong Races.
Monday, January 19:—
No. 1—H.E. Sir Henry May presents
pictures at Queen's College.
Wednesday, January 21:—
Annual Sports of P. K. S. B., R. J. A.,
Y. M. C. Ground, Kowloon.
Friday, January 23:—
Volunteer Ball.
Monday, January 26:—
China New Year Day.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, JAN. 31, 1914.

MODERN CARGO STEAMERS.

Scarcely little time ago, Mr. Alexander Gracie, of the great Fairfield Engineering Company, Glasgow, delivered a most interesting lecture at home on several aspects of the modern cargo steamer dealing with the economy of the ocean tramps. Mr. Gracie pointed out that quite 80 per cent. of the world's immense fleet of merchant ships might be classed as cargo carriers, even though, as was frequently the case, many of them had accommodation for a few passengers. Dealing with that fact, Mr. Gracie pointed out that year by year the pinch of Parliamentary provisions was being more keenly felt, such as loadline conditions, constructional requirements, lifeboat rules, and food and other regulations, along with the demands of labour and port authorities, tending to increase expense. Reason, to a great extent, and sentiment, to a less degree, support such regulations as are made. On the other hand, competition leads to a reduction in the profits of ship-owning; for, although lately there has been a period of high freights, the general trend is downwards. The shipowner, therefore, looks to the naval constructor to evolve means whereby the cost of propulsion can be reduced, for his interest is along the road towards improvement, as the rate of obsolescence of cargo ships has a direct effect on the demand for new tonnage, on the principle of the survival of the fittest. It becomes interesting, therefore, to analyse the past with a view to discovering new lines of advance for the future. Mr. Gracie showed the effect of increased size on the economy of ocean transport. Assuming a 3000-mile voyage at 13 knots, speed, a ship having capacity for 4000 tons of cargo would consume

12½ tons of coal per 100 tons of cargo on the trip, while a ship carrying 8700 tons of cargo would only require 8 tons. Thus the larger ship shows a saving of 50 per cent. in the fuel bill, which, with the price of coal increasing steadily, is a considerable gain in a yearly balance-sheet. Again, the constructional material in the larger ship is only 77½ tons per 100 tons of cargo capacity against 92½ tons—a 16 per cent. gain upon the first cost, interest, and depreciation. Is it surprising that there has been a steady growth in the size of cargo tramps? In one typical line the growth in eighteen years is shown to be from 6100 tons to 9000 tons dead-weight carrying capacity. Less power and, therefore, less fuel consumption is required for a given speed with the larger ship. For 11 knots on a 3000-mile voyage 1 ton of coal carries 23.5 tons of cargo in the smaller, and 26.4 tons in the larger, ship for the full 3000 miles. Dealing with the progress made in cargo-steamer machinery, Mr. Gracie pointed out that the higher efficiency of present-day machinery was an important factor in the economy of ocean transport. Higher steam pressures and multiple-compound engines have had their effect. The rate of consumption of coal has in twenty years been decreased from 1.6 lb. to 1.3 lb. per horse-power per hour; but the limit has been reached with reciprocating engines, as it is doubtful if superheating the steam will be widely accepted in the tramp ship, because of complications or of difficulties with lubrication and with oil passing over to the boiler and superheater. There are far greater prospects for the turbine working the propeller through helical gearing. When well designed and accurately made with sound material the turbines and the gear, operated with a satisfactory lubricating system, require less attention, and, for that matter, less intelligence on the part of the watch-keeping engineer than the reciprocating engine; so that although the first cost may at present not be on the side of the former, the gain in economy in the long run must be in favour of the geared turbine. Mr. Gracie showed that in coal consumption there is a gain of 24 per cent. in a single-screw geared turbine tramp ship over the old single-screw triple-expansion-engined ship, while the weight of machinery is 15½ per cent. less. In the case of two new vessels—Chairness and Cairngowan—of about 5000 tons displacement, identical in all respects, except that one was fitted with geared turbines and the other with the latest type of triple-expansion engines, the results of voyages simultaneously made in the same seas was an economy of 15 per cent. in favour of the geared turbine. There is economy, too, in respect of the lubrication and of wages, as the staff is reduced. Herein lies a possible source of improved balance-sheets of tramp steamers. Mr. Gracie also referred to improvements in cargo-handling gear, and to the advantages of large hatches in reducing the extent of movement of cargo in the holds when being discharged, but it is difficult in such case to give a definite figure of gain in economy.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The German cruiser Scharnhorst sailed to-day.

A Chinese of the coolie class broke a blood vessel in Padder Street this morning and expired within a few minutes.

Mr. G. Norrington has been appointed to a Second Lieutenantcy in the Hongkong Volunteer Corps, with effect from December 30.

Lieut. Commander Birkett, of H.M.S. Colne, has been appointed to the Admiralty for a war course and leaves Hongkong on the 7th inst.

The bicycle stolen from the Star Ferry stand at Kowloon a few days ago has been recovered by the police. The owner, a German resident, valued it at \$100.

Col. W. B. Brown, B.E., succeeds Col. C. W. B. St. John, B.E., as chief engineer of this South China command. For many years he was on the submarine mining staff.

American tourists, says the Straits Times, have been paying a good deal of attention to the Federated Malay States of late, and they have made a point of visiting Kuala Lumpur.

A shop coolie has informed the police that he was relieved of \$700 which he was carrying in a bag on his shoulder in Bonham Strand yesterday. Inquiries are being made by the detective staff.

A hundred-and-six dollars worth of goods, including nine 1½ lbs. of cloth, was the haul made by a burglar who broke into a Chinese shop in Lun Tak Street, Wanchai, last night.

Captain Smith, of the steamer Honam, has informed the police that two lengths of copper tubing and three valve covers were stolen from the ship in Kowloon No. 1 Dock. The value of the articles is \$50.

West Point detectives have made a big capture of San I in lottery tickets. A sampan man was detected in the act of landing \$20,000 from a Macao steamer, and his conviction at the Magistracy resulted in a fine of \$50.

Excise officer No. 10 arrested a sampan man whom he found with 490 taels of smuggled prepared opium worth a considerable sum. Mr. W. G. at the Magistracy imposed a fine of \$2,000 and ordered the drug to be confiscated.

One of the Chinese clerks in the licensing department at the Central Police Station was remanded on heavy bail this morning on a charge of accepting a bribe of \$3 while transacting his duties. Mr. Dixon defended him.

Rev. T. W. Pearce, of the Lo do Mission, will speak at the Y.M.C.A. European section at 9 p.m. on Monday evening next. His address is entitled "Hongkong in the Making." The meeting will be open to all who care to attend.

Mrs. G. Tisdall, headmistress of the Peak School, has been the recipient of a presentation from the pupils of the Peak School. An account of the proceedings, which reached us just as we were going to press, will be published in Monday's issue.

A series of meetings in connection with the Work of Prayer arranged by the Evangelical Alliance commences on Monday next at the City Hall. The meetings will be held at 5.30 p.m. daily and the speaker at the opening gathering will be Ven. Archdeacon Barnett.

The financial statement for the month of October, gazetted to-day, shows that the balance of assets and liabilities on September 30 was \$2,731,604.64. The revenue from October 1st to 31st was \$787,649.68 and the expenditure during the same period \$835,482.69, leaving the balance \$2,533,771.76.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. H. H. Fox, H. B. M. Consul General at Yunnanfu, has been transferred to Chingtu, and is succeeded by Mr. H. G. Ho.

There is a tremendous influx of Chinese labourers into Selangor, and local steamers from Singapore are doing big business in the matter of deck passages—Straits Times.

The s.s. Jade, built by Kowloon Dock for the trade on the Tonkin coast, accomplished her trial trip without incident, arriving at Haiphong on Tuesday. Mainly the usages were among those on board.

The annual sports of the H.K.S.B., B.G.A., will take place on the United Service Club Ground, Kowloon, on 21st inst. The Officers of the battalion will be "at home" to their friends from 3.30 p.m.

STRAIGHT AT IT.

THERE is no use of our "beating around the bush." We might as well out with it as last. We want you to try Chamberlain's Cough Remedy the next time you have a cough or cold. There is no reason so far as we can see why you should not do so. This preparation by its remarkable cures has gained a world-wide reputation, and people everywhere speak of it in the highest terms of praise. It is for sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

SPORTING.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

H.K.F.A. Meeting.

The next monthly meeting of the Hongkong Football Association Council will be held at the R. & E. Theatre on 8th January, at 6 p.m. Each club, &c., is entitled to send two delegates.

THE GOVERNOR'S STAFF.

Lieutenant G. N. Allison, Seaforth Highlanders, has been appointed Aide-de-Camp to H.E. Sir F. H. May, K.C.M.G., with effect from 29th November, 1913. Lieutenant Allison will be seconded from his regiment whilst holding this appointment.

THE TOONAN-TAIHAI MARU COLLISION.

We have received the following from our correspondent who wired us the first news received in the Colony of the recent accident in the Shanghai river:—

SHANGHAI, Dec. 27, 1913.

I have just sent you a cable mentioning the accident in the river here. I was an eye-witness of the occurrence and what happened was this: The Toonan was coming up river at about 11.30 a.m. on the flood tide, and when opposite the Public Gardens the collision occurred. The Toonan was close to the Shanghai side, so as to allow as much space as possible for the Japanese vessel to pass. The Taihai Maru seemed to cut straight across to the Shanghai side, and when difficulty arose started to go astern. This, however, was unavailing and a terrible crash ensued. The Toonan was struck amidships on the port side of the stockhold and took an alarming list to starboard. Immediately after the crash volumes of steam arose from the stockhold, owing to the steam pipe having been broken, and the vessels were locked for several minutes at right angles. The Toonan's anchor was let go, but despite this fact she came slowly on and crashed into the Nanking Road jetty pontoon, carrying away the foot bridge. The Taihai Maru got clear and the Toonan, whose engine was disabled owing to her broken steam pipe, swung slowly round. She again struck the Taihai and dented one or two plates on the port quarter. She was berthed alongside the Bund at the landing stage. The stern of the Taihai is broken completely about three feet above the water line. The Toonan has a huge gash about four feet wide right down, and at the present time seems to be settling down by the head. No lives were lost so far as I am able to ascertain but it is reported that one or two firemen were scalded. The Toonan was unable to move her engines after the accident and, of course, was helpless. The Toonan was inward bound from Swatow and Amoy.

TAIKOO CLUB BALL.

A Successful Function.

The fifth ball given by the members of the Tai Koo Club, which took place last evening, created a record in point of attendance, and was a very successful and enjoyable function. The spacious club house lends itself particularly well to an event of this nature, and though the guests numbered over three hundred last evening there was no sign of overcrowding. The decorations were not at all lavish, but in this account they were the more effective. The ball room looked particularly well and the scene when the floor was occupied by the dancers was a charming and brilliant one. Festoons of foliage were hung around the walls, and the balcony, which made a splendid sitting-out place, was effectively draped with flags, over which was an illuminated motto extending the club's welcome to their guests. At the opposite end of the room the club flag was picked out in coloured lights. The lighting was most effective, the hanging electric lamps with flower-petal shades looking very pretty.

The billiard room was utilised for supper, at which Mr. Reid presided, and a portion screened off was used for cards.

Dancing commenced at nine o'clock, a string band supplying the music for the twenty-one dances. The committee responsible for the arrangements consisted of Messrs G. T. Edkins (president of the club), Murray Scott and Reid (vice-presidents), W. Kerr (chairman), A. Walmaley (hon. secretary), J. A. Hunter (hon. treasurer), R. Dickson, J. Mitchell, J. A. Hunter, T. Farrel, H. de la Motte, J. McCubbin, and D. McNeill. Mr. McCubbin superintended the decoration of the building.

As usual special launches were run to Hongkong for the convenience of the guests.

ARMED ROBBERIES.

At Shaikwan and San Hai.

An armed robbery was committed at eight o'clock yesterday morning at No. 2 Tai Wong Lane, Shaikwan. Four men entered the house through the kitchen and after gagging and tying up the cook, two servants and his mistress stole two pairs of jade and gold bangles worth about \$150. The men were armed with knives, with which they threatened to injure the people if they cried out.

The house of a Chinese shopkeeper at San Hai, near San Chun, was entered on January 1 by two armed men, and \$70 in money stolen. The account, the only one on the premises at the time, was taken at 2.30 a.m. by the door being broken in and was confronted by two robbers who had a revolver and an electric torch. He was bidden to open the safe, but as his master has the key the thieves broke open the door with an iron bar. The men afterwards went away in the direction of San Chai City, in Chinese territory.

CHUNG SAU NAM EXTRADITION CASE.

APPEAL DISMISSED.

The reserved decision of the Full Court in this case was delivered in the Supreme Court this morning.

The Chief Justice: I have read the judgment which my learned brother will deliver, and I entirely agree with him.

The Puisne Judge said: I am of the opinion that this appeal should be dismissed, and for the reasons given in the judgment under appeal. The circumstances of the case are not, in my view, within the mischief contemplated by the Ordinance. Assuming for the moment that the provisions of section 2 of the Ordinance are general, and are not limited to traders, even then I think that the whole intention and purpose of the Ordinance are directed to the denial of our tribunals for the determination of matters which should be more properly litigated in China. Now, this appellant is not demanding that the case shall be heard in Canton, in the jurisdiction where the cause of action arose. Indeed, it appears that he has no present intention of returning to Canton at all, nor does he suggest that any other locus would be more convenient for the trial of the case than this Colony. I am clearly of opinion that the principle of Logan's and the other cases cited to us is that a plaintiff will not in certain circumstances be allowed to harness a defendant by proceedings which should be more naturally commenced elsewhere. That is to say when the inconvenience to the defendant amounts to hardship and oppression the Court will use its inherent power to stay the proceedings. There is no authority for the doctrine that an action will be stayed merely on the plea of the defendant that it is not convenient to himself that the matter should be heard and determined. The Court has always taken into account the existence of another and more convenient forum; that fact has invariably formed the basis of their decision. Appeal dismissed with costs.

In compliance with a request made by Mr. Potter, the Court certified for two counsel in the case.

Mr. Sharp then informed the Court that Sir Francis Pigott told him that he proposed to proceed with the second motion. He therefore asked the Court to allow time for the filing of affidavits. These had not been filed before because, as their Lordships would see, the costs would have been thrown away.

The Chief Justice: This case has been fixed definitely for Monday. Is it proposed to run this case and the Police Court case pari passu?

Mr. Sharp said the proceedings at the Magistracy were determined, but the judgment had not been delivered.

The Chief Justice: What you want is an adjournment pending the Magistrate's decision?

Mr. Sharp: Yes. I understand there is every probability of the decision being delivered next week.

Sir Francis Pigott submitted that his learned friend should have been ready with his affidavits. The Court had asked if there was any similarity between the points taken on this motion and the magistrate's decision. Undoubtedly there was a similarity, but one point which did not come up before the magistrate was the question of the right of suit in this Court. The second point raised questions of a constitutional nature connected with the rebellion in Kwangtung. That point was argued before the magistrate and would be argued again in the Supreme Court. The third point was entirely different from the one taken before the magistrate; it was that this cause of action as elaborated in the statement of claim, was no cause of action at all. It had no bones about it, and could not hold water for a moment.

The Chief Justice remarked that if the magistrate was going to give his decision before the Full Court expressed any opinion, he thought the case should go on.

Mr. Sharp: This is a matter which might very well reach the Privy Council, and, prima facie, the only evidence which will reach the Privy Council will be the evidence we filed on affidavits.

Sir Francis Pigott: It is for the dignity of the Court not to be pushed about in this way at the wish of the plaintiffs.

After long argument further hearing was fixed for Monday week, the Court deciding that it was too late to open the question of costs.

TRAINING TIMES.

OLD POINTS.

In milder weather and on a good going course, rather on the fast side, the majority of the ponies in training were given gallops this morning. The following were the times taken; all done on the grass course:—

Donald Dhu, 1, 37, 1.12, 1.45; last quarter, 33.
President, 1 mile, 39, 1.13, 1.48.2, 2.20; last quarter 31.3.
Deford, 1 mile, 38, 1.18, 1.53, 2.28; last quarter 33.
Royal Bore, 1, 38.1, 1.06.2, 1.50; last quarter 32.8.
Radiant II, 1 mile, 42, —, 1.58, 2.31.2; last quarter 33.2.
Capello, 1 mile, last half, 36.2, 1.09.1; last quarter 32.4.
Flock, 1 mile, 39.3, 1.12.2; last quarter, 31.4.
Tref, 1, 38, 1.14.1, 1.46; last quarter, 31.4.

38.8 GRIFINS.

Mr. Scares' dk. gray, 1, 40.2, 1.18.2, 1.53; last quarter 34.3.
Jardine's chest. derby and spid. white, 1, 40, 1 mile, —, 1.19, 1.48.2, 2.23; last quarter, 34.3.
Jardine's gray derby and Fiddle Bird, one mile, 39.9, last 1, 1.45, last 1, 1.11; last quarter 34.
Jardine's gray (blinkers) and white, 1 mile, —, 1.19.1, 1.43, 2.21.1; last quarter 33.1.
Sir Paul Chater's chest, three-quarters, 33.2, 1.07.2, 1.39.3; last quarter, 32.1.
Sir Paul Chater's dun, three-quarters, 36, 1.12.2, 1.45.2; last quarter 33.
Mr. Stabb's, 1 mile, 36.2, 1.13.3, 1.49.3, 2.21.3; last quarter 32.

75.20 GRIFINS.

Jardine's gray, three-quarters, 36.8, 1.13.4, 1.48.3; last quarter 34.4.
Mr. Stabb's and Mr. Thomas' sub, 1½ last mile, 36.2, 1.13.3, 1.51.4, 2.29.2; last quarter 37.7.
Sir Paul Chater's dk. gray, three-quarters, 34, 1.08.3, 1.41; last quarter, 32.2.
Sir Paul Chater's Gray and Pic, three-quarters, 41.3, 1.15.1, 1.47.3; last quarter 32.2.

SUBSCRIPTION GRIFINS.

Mr. Hough's 1st last 1, 1.03.2.
Mr. Scares' wh. (Dandy Boy), 1 mile, 36.9, 1.13.2, 1.53, 2.27; last quarter 34.
Mr. Howard's Candy Kid and Sir Paul Chater's chest, three-quarters 40, 1.13.2, 1.47; last quarter, 33.3.
Jardine's Gray, 1 mile, 32, 1.07, 1.44, 2.17.2; last quarter, 32.2.
Mr. Richardson's, 1 mile, 36.2, 1.10.2.
Mr. Almad's, 1 mile last 1, 32.2, 1.17, 1.52.4; last quarter 35.4.
Mr. Friesland's black, 1 mile last 1, 33, 1.15, 1.50; last quarter 35.
Sir Paul Chater's big gray, 1 mile, 40, 1.21, 2.01, 2.36.3; last quarter 35.3.
Sir Paul Chater's spid. w., 1, 39.2, 1.08.3, 1.44.3; last quarter, 35.
Mr. Nomazoe's and Mr. Ape's, last 1, 33, 1.13.
A gray pony (Mr. Hickman) boy pony (boy) 1 mile, 38.2, 1.17, 1.59.4, 2.36; last quarter 38.1.
Mr. White's gray last 1, 36.2, 1.12.1, 1.46.1; last quarter 34.

COMMERCIAL.

Messrs. Polish walls and Kotwall, cotton and yarn brokers, in their circular dated January 2, state:—We regret to have to report an absolutely blank fortnight, not a single transaction having come under our notice. Such being the case, our quotations must be taken as being purely nominal.

Unsold stocks 47,000 bales.

Sold but undelivered in the godown and to arrive 33,000 bales.

Arrivals. The mail str. "Egypt" and extra str. "Penang Mer" from Bombay, and str. "Khatang" from Calcutta have brought in 3,000 bales for Hongkong and 3,000 bales for Shanghai. Shipments from Hongkong to Shanghai, and coast ports &c., 1,000 bales.

Local Mill.—Sales 50 bales No. 10 @ 123 new shap.

Shanghai.—This market is almost as bad as ours there being scarcely any business doing.

Japanese Yarn.—Sales 500 bales Bengal Yellow Chos No. 30 @ 947.

Raw Cotton.—Bengal and Chinese. No sales. Total 1000 bales Bengal and 400 (small) bales Chinese. Quotation. Bengal @ \$25 to \$29, Chinese @ \$30 to \$33 per picul.

INDIAN YARN REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1913.

The total turnover of Indian Yarn for the Year 1913 is the smallest since the disastrous year of 1906, when all the dealers, without exception, had to put up their shutters. It is not to be inferred, however, that the small volume of this year's trade will lead to the wholesale closing down of Chinese firms. A few of them will, perhaps, be forced to close, but there can be no doubt that the majority will be able to struggle through and carry on.

Still the sad fact remains that the total turnover for 1913 is 125,000 bales as compared with 150,000 bales for 1912. Prices are close and considerably below the level of last year, as the following table will show:—

31st December, 1912.—No. 20 813/150; No. 10 812/131.
31st December, 1913.—No. 20 813/145; No. 10 811/125.

In face of these quotations, the apparent decline is only about \$5 per bale, but when the rates of exchange for the two periods are taken into account (31st Dec., 1912, Rs. 155, 31st Dec., 1913, Rs. 144) the actual decline reaches fully ten per cent, a most serious decline in a trade which is worked, at most, on a two paise basis as a satisfactory margin of profit.

The causes which have led to this unfortunate state of affairs are not far to seek. Down to the month of July, the volume of trade kept up on a fair average scale, but the outbreak of the Revolution towards the end of July brought the market up with a sudden lull for a day or two from which the yarn trade, in common with other trades, will take some time to recover. At the present moment, what the merchants are most concerned with is not so much the sale, as the movement of goods of overdue contracts, which is seriously impeded by the daily shrinkage of the face value of the Canton notes and the unduly heavy discount on the Chinese subsidiary coins, two factors entailing heavy losses on the Chinese consumers over their remittances to Hongkong. The arrivals of yarn during the year are 200,000 bales.

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BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

NEW YORK FINANCE SENSATION.

MESSRS. MORGAN SEVER OLD-TIME CONNECTIONS.

LONDON, Jan. 3.
A telegram from New York states that Messrs. J. P. Morgan, the famous bankers, announce that they have severed their connection with some of the greatest corporations in the country, with which they have been long associated.

They have done so, it is stated, voluntarily in response to change in public sentiment, and owing to problems and criticisms regarding the so-called interlocking of Directorates.

BRITISH GOVERNMENT AND "SLAVERLIKE" LABOUR.

LONDON, Jan. 3.
Replying to a Memorial submitted by the Anti-Slavery Society with reference to "slaverlike" labour in South America and other tropical regions, involving responsibility to British Companies, Mr. Asquith said that the question of consolidating and extending the Slave Trade Acts was engaging the attention of the Government; which would also carefully examine the reports received in response to a circular issued on January 2.

TURKEY'S DREADNOUGHT.

LONDON, Jan. 2.
The new Dreadnought will be named *Sultan Osman*.

Greece and the Purchase.

LATER.
A telegram from Athens states that M. Venizelos, the Premier, addressing Parliament, confirmed the statement that Turkey had purchased a Dreadnought.

He was unable to inform the House what steps the Government were taking or had already taken to secure Greek supremacy in the Aegean Sea; and could only assure the Chamber that Greece was determined to maintain supremacy and that the Greek navy was absolutely calm (Chancery).

BRITISH LAND QUESTION.

Chancellor and Duke.

INTERESTING CORRESPONDENCE.

LONDON, Jan. 1.
The correspondence of Mr. Lloyd George and the Duke of Sutherland, relating to the offer of the latter, after a speech by the Chancellor of the Exchequer, to sell his deer forests, has been published. The Chancellor of the Exchequer rejects the Duke's offer to sell 210,000 acres of deer forest at 22/6 per acre, and 200,000 acres, mostly sheep and cattle grazing, at 25/- per acre, on the grounds that the price is excessive. He also points out that the valuation for death duties, on the whole estate of 1,700,000 acres, is £400,000.

The Duke of Sutherland, in replying, reminds Mr. Lloyd George of his speeches regarding the re-populating of the Highlands. Also, that the Chancellor of the Exchequer requested an offer at £2 per acre, and he (the Duke) had offered 22/6. He also emphasises that the Chancellor's figures are grossly inaccurate. As an instance, he mentions that the whole county is only one of 1,297,914 acres and his estates total 923,400 acres. The £400,000 which had been mentioned as death duties was merely a provisional valuation. The Duke concludes:—"Even audiences which, like you (Mr. George), have not seen a deer forest, are not likely to be impressed with your tears for the perversion of land in the Highlands when you denounce 22/6 per acre as an excessive price."

Mr. Lloyd George in his rejoinder to the Duke of Sutherland said:—"The contrast between the value of 5/6 per acre for the whole land, and the 22/6 per acre which you demand for the least productive part, is an interesting study in the psychology of valuation. Before you undertake to deliver gratuitous lectures to public men, you might rectify your errors of accountship by applying different methods of assessment, according to whether you pay or receive." He concludes by stating that he has submitted the Duke of Sutherland's offer to the Development Commissioners.

SOMETHING TO REMEMBER.

IN buying a cough medicine for children, bear in mind that Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is the best for colds, croup and whooping cough, and that it contains no harmful drugs. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

INTERNATIONAL CRICKET.

ENGLAND v. SOUTH AFRICA.

LONDON, Jan. 3.
In cool, cloudy weather South Africa compiled 151 runs.
Hescoe took 5 wickets for 49 and Baines 3 for 26.
At the expense of 5 wickets, England made 117, of which Mead scored 54 not out.

TROUBLE IN TRIPOLI.

Italians Rout Moors.

LONDON, Jan. 2.
The Italians suffered 17 killed, including an officer, and 80 wounded, mostly natives, in a fight at Mahargha, in Tripoli, in which the Italian force routed the Arabs.

THE CHANCELLOR'S HOLIDAY.

LONDON, Jan. 2.
Mr. Lloyd George has gone on holiday to Algiers.

THE GIANTIC SOAP COMBINE.

LONDON, Jan. 3.
Sir J. B. Brannan denies the report that a gigantic soap combine, with a capital of £35,000,000, has been formed in China. He admits, however, that there has been some talk about erecting soap works in China.

LORD NORTHCLEFFE.

LONDON, Jan. 2.
Lord Northcliffe, principal proprietor of the "Daily Mail," acting on medical advice regarding his eyesight, is relinquishing some of his responsibilities, and will be abroad until Easter.

THE "TASMAN" SAFE.

LONDON, Jan. 2.
The Australian steamer *Tasman* has arrived at Thursday Island, all being well, with the exception of Madame Nordica, the famous prima donna, who is suffering from nervous prostration.

BULGARIAN SOCIALISTS.

Denounce The Monarchy.

LONDON, Jan. 2.
A telegram from Sofia states that there was a noisy scene at the opening of the Sobranje. As the King entered, the Socialists left the House shouting "Down with the Monarchy." Their cry was immediately drowned with cheering.
King Ferdinand, in his speech from the throne, said that the Bulgarian people, after glorious feats of arms and trials endured, had resolved to recuperate their forces by lasting peace and work.

THE MEXICAN CRISIS.

Fighting Continues Thirty-Six Hours.

LONDON, Jan. 2.
A battle between 5,000 Mexican rebels and 4,000 Federals has been in progress at Ajinagu for 36 hours, and is proceeding in favour of the rebels, though the losses on both sides are very heavy. The Federals have withdrawn inside Ajinagu, but it is unlikely that they will surrender, as the rebel General has orders to execute a thousand Federal volunteers and twelve Commanders.
A train drawing Federal troops was blown up by a charge of dynamite 170 miles South-east of Mexico City, and 47 were killed.
The rebels made a terrific assault upon Nuevo Laredo on New Year's morning, the losses on both sides being very heavy.

Luria Details.

A telegram from New York states that the three days' battle at Ajinagu still continues, and that the Federals appear to be getting the worst of matters.

The casualties on both sides, so far, are one thousand; and most of the wounded have been left upon the field.

The rebels are drawing closer and closer and are using artillery and small guns. The plight of the wounded Federals is terrible. They are crossing the river into the United States through ragged firing and smoke, begrimed and half-naked, being dragged out of the mud by Americans, and being handed to the Red Cross officials.

At one point, three hundred people, not wounded, waded across, but were disarmed and forced back to Mexican territory. They piteously appealed to the Americans, saying that they would surely be killed by the rebels.

BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

THE KING AND NORTHERN AND SOUTHERN NIGERIA.

LONDON, Jan. 3.
A telegram from Nigeria states that H.M. the King has telegraphed to Sir Frederick Lugard, Governor of Northern and Southern Nigeria, requesting him to convey to the people His Majesty's best wishes for their future happiness and prosperity, and also the assurance of the great interest he takes in their welfare.

RELIGIOUS CONTROVERSY IN EAST AFRICA.

Bishops Charged With Heresy.

LONDON, Jan. 2.
A controversy between High Church and Low Church parties has arisen as the result of a Conference of Anglican and Non-conformist Missionaries at Kikuyu, East Africa, last June, convened with the object of unifying Protestant Missionary activity in opposition to Romanism and Mohammedanism. The controversy was precipitated by a letter by the Bishop of Zanzibar practically charging the Bishops of Mombasa and Uganda with heresy for their action at the Conference in holding a United Communion Service.

The Archbishop of York, in his New Year letter, referring to the controversy, says that while not at present commenting on the subject, it is obvious that the controversy is a test of the power of the Church of England to know its own mind and take its own place in Christendom. Unless the issues are wisely handled they will set back the course of Christian Unity if only by endangering the unity of the Anglican Church.

Sympathy And Support From Church Association.

LATER.

The Council of the Church Association have written to the Bishop of Mombasa and the Bishop of Uganda, expressing sympathy and support.

WINTER IN EUROPE.

An Avalanche Disaster.

LONDON, Jan. 2.
Three skiing parties were overtaken by an avalanche in Switzerland, and four people perished.
Winter sports have been held in many parts of England.

PUGILISM IN LONDON.

LONDON, Jan. 2.
In a twenty round contest at the Ring, Blackfriars, Jamnman Brake defeated Dixie Kidd on points.

SOUTH AFRICAN LABOUR TROUBLES.

European Miners' Defiant Attitude.

LONDON, Jan. 1.
The European miners engaged at the Natal collieries are disregarding the settlement effected by their leaders. They have addressed an ultimatum to the employers to the effect that they will strike to-day unless their demands for an increase of wages, a reduction of hours, and the re-instatement of alleged Unionist victims, are conceded. The Transvaal Miners' Association and the Railway and Harbour Servants' Union are considering the question of sympathetic action.

It is stated that the railwaymen have already decided to refuse to handle coal produced by non-unionist labour, or to convey troops to the scene of any disturbances.
A telegram from Durban states that the coal-owners are sending representatives to the coal-fields with a view to adjusting the differences which exist, and it is confidently expected that a *modus vivendi* will be reached.

GREAT AVIATION FEAT.

From Cairo to the Cape.

LONDON, Jan. 1.
The Aerial League has requested M. Vedrines to continue his flight from Cairo to the Cape. He will probably go by way of the Nile, Uganda, Mombasa, Zanzibar, Mozambique, Quilimane, Beira, Delagoa Bay, and eventually to Cape Town.

FIRST AEROPLANE IN JERUSALEM.

LONDON, Jan. 1.
The aviator M. Bonnier has arrived, says a telegram from Jerusalem. This is the first aeroplane which has been seen in Jerusalem, and the utmost bewilderment prevailed. The entire population turned out to witness the novel spectacle. M. Bonnier left in the direction of Egypt.

BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

THE GOVERNMENT AND SOMALILAND.

LONDON, Jan. 3.
It is reported that the Government are considering the question of an Indian Military Expedition to Somaliland in March.

LATER.

Reuter learns that there is no question of an expedition to Somaliland or of any change in the Government's policy. It is stated that possibly the report originated on some question regarding the despatch of reliefs from India to replace the troops at present in Berbera.

ANOTHER BYE-ELECTION.

LONDON, Jan. 2.
Mr. Atherley Jones, K.C., has been appointed a Judge of the City of London, and this necessitates a bye-election at Durham.

ARGENTINE CROP ESTIMATES.

LONDON, Jan. 1.
The official crop, according to a telegram from Buenos Aires, estimates are:—Wheat, 3,580,000 tons; oats, 1,200,000 tons; and maize, 9,000,000 tons.

HONGKONG STREET INDEX.

We have received a copy of the Eighth edition of the Street Index annually revised and brought up to date by Mr. Arthur Chapman, Government Assessor.

It is interesting to note that since the first edition was published in 1903, the Index has grown from 128 to 185 pages. The number of Inland Lots dealt with has enormously increased, in 1903 the highest number being 1725, while in the present edition the highest number is 2052. In the same period the Kowloon Lots have gone up from 1140 to 1280.

Over 100 new Lot numbers are included in the new edition, which is further enlarged by the addition of several new streets and lanes.

The Index is invaluable to solicitors, insurance companies, architects and surveyors, estate agents, property brokers, and all interested in land and house property in the colony.

CLAIM FOR MONEY LENT.

The Defence Revealed.

Before His Honour Mr. Justice Gompertz in the Summary Jurisdiction of the Supreme Court yesterday morning the case was mentioned in which Indra Singh is suing Doola Singh to recover the sum of \$200, money lent.

Mr. J. H. Gardiner informed his Lordship that the defendant had had the misfortune of being very badly scalded, and consequently was unable to attend Court. Some Chinese scalded him in some way, and Mr. Gardiner's clerk saw him in bed and bandaged.

Mr. P. Mason, who represented the plaintiff, asked if evidence to that effect would be called.

His Lordship asked if there was a medical certificate.

Mr. Gardiner said there was not, but his clerk had seen the man.

His Lordship: You can put up security?

Mr. Gardiner: Yes.

His Lordship: I think I shall want a medical certificate.

Mr. Mason: Will your Lordship make an order for particulars of defence to be filed. My friend says he has a marvellous and wonderful defence, and I want to know something about it.

Mr. Gardiner: I did not use either of those words, and I do not see any reason for filing particulars.

Mr. Mason: I want them to prevent me being taken by surprise.

Mr. Gardiner: There is no special defence.

In reply to the Court, Mr. Mason said the statement of claim was a promissory note, and his Lordship remarked that he did not see any harm in Mr. Gardiner giving particulars of defence.

Mr. Gardiner: It is only a question of evidence.

Mr. Mason: I would like to know something of the evidence to be produced.

His Lordship (to Mr. Gardiner): I think you had better give it.

Mr. Gardiner: I will give it now. The money was never lent by this plaintiff.

Mr. Mason: It is a promissory note. His Lordship: I don't want to hear any argument about it now. I will put it in Friday's list.

THE TALIFU REVOLT.

TALIFU DOO, 27.

On the morning of December 8, the Talifu garrison, consisting of three regiments, revolted under the leadership of Yang Huelin, shot down the officers, took possession of the city, raiding the Government armoury, yamdena and the college, killing one professor and several students as well as a number of civilians. Independence was declared in the name of Sun Yat-sen. Communication with the outside world was cut off and the city thus isolated.

SAFETY OF FOREIGNERS.

Foreigners were not molested, although a Japanese and a well-known hotelier, who came into the city during the rioting, had a narrow escape. The China Island Mission premises were voluntarily protected by the insurgent soldiery; the mission chapel and school house being soon filled with wounded and dying.

General Pang and the local magistrate escaped early that morning, having apparently received intimation of the impending outbreak.

"Two weeks' reign of terror followed, during which the city and surrounding country were completely in the hands of the rebel chief Yang Huelin and his followers who claimed to be the champions of true democracy. Fortunately, owing to most inclement weather lasting several days, private citizens were not looted.

FLIGHT OF OFFICIALS.

Soldiers were sent out north, south, east and west to occupy the adjacent cities and districts, all civil authorities fleeing on their approach. The vacancies in the ranks were filled by raw recruits from the peasantry, who were given a month's pay in advance as well as a bonus of \$5. All and sundry were accepted and armed with modern Mauser rifles and ammunition.

Ten days later telegraphic communication was reopened to the west under the strictest censorship, only non-committal messages in Chinese being accepted.

WORK OF A FEW LOYAL TROOPS.

At break of day on December 22 a small detachment of loyal soldiers, under the leadership of Chang Yeh-kung, scored the South Gate, entered the city, and surrounded the yamdena, which was the headquarters of the rebels, who, being taken by surprise, suffered many casualties. Yang Huelin, panic-stricken, fired on his own bodyguard, and escaped only to be surrounded two days later in a village on the lake shore and burned to death in the house where he was hiding. The body was then brought to the city and exposed to public view in front of his late headquarters. His followers scattered. Thousands of them are in the surrounding country looting and terrorizing the people wherever they go.

At last the censorship on telegraphic communications has been raised, although the postal service has not yet been resumed. Merchants are daring to expose their wares for sale. A strong force is on its way from Yunnan to pacify the country, and it is expected that at an early date order will be completely restored.—N. C. Daily News.

HONGKONG SUPREME COURT.

Injunction Against Notices.

Mr. Eldon Potter, who was instructed by Mr. L. R. Needham (of Messrs. Pevens and Needham), appeared before His Lordship the Chief Justice (Sir William Ross Davies) in the Original Jurisdiction of the Supreme Court yesterday morning, to move for the continuation of the injunction granted in the action in which the Yu Hing firm and the Chan Man Chan firm are plaintiffs, and the Kung Yik Tai firm defendants.

The motion referred to premises situated at 175, Wing Lok Street, and his Lordship was asked that the injunction granted on the 24th December, 1910, be continued until judgment in the action, or until further order. The original injunction restrained the defendants from, (1), pounding rice; (2), grinding rice; (3), hammering; (4), making other loud noises between the hours of 9 p.m. and 6 a.m. in such a manner as to cause annoyance or injury to the plaintiffs.

In reply to his Lordship Mr. Potter said the other side were not represented, but he intended to prove that all the documents had been served on the defendants.

His Lordship: And the affidavits on which you got the interim injunction?

Mr. Potter: Yes. I will call Mr. Rozario (the Bailiff) to prove it.

His Lordship: There are two plaintiffs?

Mr. Potter: Yes. They are the owners of the houses on each side of the place where the rice machinery makes the noise which is objected to.

After Bailiff Rozario had proved service of the necessary documents,

Mr. Potter informed his Lordship that he understood the defendant firm had consulted their legal advisers, and if evidence was required on this point it could be obtained by ringing up the particular firm consulted.

His Lordship intimated that he did not require such evidence, and asked Mr. Potter if he wished the injunction made absolute pending the hearing of the action.

Mr. Potter: Until judgment.

His Lordship made the order accordingly.

A LADY ROBBED.

A daring theft occurred in Queen's Road on Wednesday. Elsie Gillanders, of 13 Macdonnell Road, was walking along the footpath when a Chinese approached from behind, snatched her handbag and made off.

In the direction of Zetland Street several people gave chase, but the thief disappeared down a side street and got away. In the handbag were several small articles, including a pair of gold pins—no and \$6 in money, the total loss being \$24.

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